

ON THE WALL

Frisco's Grafters Can See
the Word Ruin.

ARE BADLY SCARED

Grand Jury Continues Its Inquiry—
Ruef Withdraws Request for a
Writ of Habeas Corpus.

San Francisco, March 22.—The grand jury on Thursday resumed the investigation of the alleged affairs of this city and after an all-day session adjourned until 11 o'clock Saturday morning. No indictments were returned. The entire day was taken up in probing further into the alleged bribing of the supervisors by the telephone companies, on which issue 27 indictments have already been based.

The grand jury made a determined effort to trace the \$50,000 alleged to have been paid by T. V. Halsey, of the Pacific States Telephone Co., to ten supervisors to prevent the granting of a franchise to the Home Telephone Co. Officials and books of the Pacific States Co. were taken before the grand jury by Secret Service Agent Burns.

Frank D. Drum, a director of the company, was excited when he emerged from the grand jury room and assaulted a newspaper photographer who attempted to take his picture. President Scott was in the jury room but a few minutes and upon coming out declined to discuss the testimony beyond that he had "answered all questions put to him." Auditor Sherwin said he was requested to explain the bookkeeping methods of the company and was asked about the various amounts on the books which were paid to Halsey, but declared that the accounts showed no such sum as \$50,000 or any considerable part of it having been used or paid to the former general agent.

Miss Nellie Smith, stenographer to Gerstle, Frick and Beedy, the attorneys who represented the Home Telephone Co. in the obtaining of a franchise from the supervisors, spent over an hour in the room. She is considered one of the most important witnesses regarding the deal in which the Home company is said to have paid \$62,000 for the franchise. It is said that all efforts to get information from her have failed.

The supreme court on Thursday, on the request of the attorneys for Abraham Ruef, the central figure in the municipal graft investigation, dismissed Ruef's application for a writ of habeas corpus to transfer him from the custody of Elisor W. J. Biggy to that of Sheriff O'Neill and to be taken from the St. Francis hotel to the county jail.

"Ruef," said Biggy, "upon looking up authorities came to the conclusion that the supreme court would sustain the action of Judge Dunne in appointing an ellisor and foretelling any adverse decision by having the writ dismissed."

It leaked out last night that Ruef Thursday afternoon has paid off three of his attorneys, Farrell, Murphy and Shortridge, which has revived the report that there is dissension among them and that at least one of them, Shortridge, desires to withdraw from the case. This has been denied by Shortridge, who with Farrell also disclaimed any knowledge of dissension or difference of opinion in the Ruef case. Neither Ruef nor any of his attorneys will discuss his case.

Color is lent to the report persistently circulated that Burns is working on Ruef to get him to confess, by the frequent visits paid by Burns to Ruef and the fact that Burns was closeted with Ruef several hours Wednesday night.

Perhaps no prisoner in the United States is so closely guarded as is Ruef. Detective Burns has placed six picked men under Biggy to guard Ruef. At night Biggy sleeps in the same room with Ruef. Two guards are on duty in the room, their eyes constantly on Ruef, one man stands guard in the hall in front of the door, and one man is on duty outside of the one window in the room. In the event of an attempt at rescue or escape the men have orders to kill Ruef.

T. V. Halsey, the "outside" man for the Pacific States Telephone Co., who is charged with the bribe money for the supervisors from the telephone company, has been arrested in Manila and is about to begin his journey back to San Francisco to face trial on the indictments filed against him by the grand jury.

Made a New Record.—Chicago, March 22.—Exceptionally warm weather prevailed Thursday in the middle west. The highest temperature for the first day of spring within the 31 years' existence of the Chicago weather bureau was experienced. The mercury reached 76 degrees. Iowa, Missouri and Kansas also reported record breaking March weather, with 90 degrees as the maximum.

Lost a Fortune in Slot Machines.—Alton, Ill., March 22.—With the arm full of French, Greek and Latin books, Prof. Albert C. Williams, aged 60 years, formerly principal of the public schools at North Alton, was admitted to the Madison county poor farm Thursday. He was removed from his position as school principal five years ago. A year later his wife obtained a divorce. He became addicted to playing slot machines and since the loss of his position has lost his entire fortune of \$12,000 in slot machines and is now penniless. He has no skill left.

ANXIOUS FOR THE PIPE OF PEACE.



BRIEF NEWS ITEMS.

The legislature of New Mexico has passed a bill prohibiting gambling in the territory after January 1, 1908.

A Norfolk and Western passenger train ran into an open switch at Crewe, Va., killing Fireman T. H. Brown and perhaps fatally injuring Engineer J. K. Pond, both of Crewe.

The strike at the plants of the Republic Iron and Steel Co. and the Interstate Steel Co. at East Chicago has been settled by the agreement of the men to accept a 10 per cent. increase in pay.

All new construction work on the Erie railroad which had been under way in New York state during the past year will be stopped until further notice, according to an official statement issued from the Erie offices.

The dismissal of the writ was to some extent a disappointment to the prosecution, who hoped that the action would hand down a decision which would clearly define the duties and authority of an ellisor, some points of which now are in contention.

Floods Caused Freight Blockade.

Pittsburg, March 22.—Over 5,000 cars of coke are tied up in the coke region at Connellsville on account of the recent floods. From Brownsville to Youngwood, on the Pennsylvania railroad, and from Leckrone to Pittsburg and Cumberland on the Pittsburgh & Ohio freight is being held up every spin and siding. In the Connellsville, Baltimore & Ohio yards alone there were 1,200 loads of coke on the tracks when the Youngwood region flooded. In the lower Connellsville region the Monongahela railroad is still completely out of commission.

Detectives Work on New Clue.

Dover, Del., March 22.—The detectives who have been endeavoring to locate Marvin in being held up by working on an important new line of inquiry entirely independent of Dr. Marvin and are keeping out of public view. Dr. Marvin said last night: "The great trouble with the people of the country is that they are looking for a big boy instead of a baby. Horace was but 3½ years old and not a large baby at that."

Freight Rates to be Advanced.

New York, March 22.—Representatives of the Erie, Lackawanna, New Jersey Central, Pennsylvania, New York Central and other railroads of the middle states having membership in the Trunk Line association had a conference Thursday about general advances in railroad freight rates which are to begin about May 1. These advances will be made through new classifications.

Southerners "Bolted" the Meeting.

Chicago, March 22.—An act of union, by which the Congregational, United Brethren and Methodist Protestant churches of 14 states are formed into one religious organization to be known as the United Churches was consummated here last night. The final vote was taken after the Methodist Protestant delegates from Louisiana and Mississippi "bolted" the conference.

A \$50,000 Robbery.

New York, March 22.—The robbery of the summer home of Henry Siegel at Maratoneck, Wednesday night, has provided a mystery which the police are unable to solve. Seven paintings, valued at thousands of dollars, bric-a-brac collected at great cost in Europe and considerable silver were stolen. The value of the articles taken is over \$50,000.

Yale Won the Championship.

Princeton, N. J., March 22.—Yale last night won the intercollegiate wrestling championship, scoring 11 points. Columbia and Princeton tied at 7 points each and Pennsylvania finished fourth with three points.

A Firebug is Rearrested.

Columbus, O., March 22.—Warden Gould, of the Ohio penitentiary, when informed Thursday that Homer Morrison, the Williams county incendiary who was recently paroled, had been arrested at Chester, W. Va., and was being taken back to Bryan to answer to an old indictment, said: "If Morrison was caught in West Virginia he violated his parole, and we want him. We will send a guard for him as soon as he arrives at Bryan if the authorities will promise to turn him over to us. We did not know there was an indictment pending against him."

MORE DELAY IN THAW'S TRIAL.

Judge Fitzgerald's Decision as to Lunacy Commission Will Not be Given Before Monday.

New York, March 22.—District Attorney Jerome on Thursday presented to Justice Fitzgerald eight affidavits in support of the suggestion he made Wednesday in the case of Harry K. Thaw that the defendant is now in such a state of insanity as to be incapable of understanding the proceedings against him or making his defense.

Delphin Delmas, for the defense, stated that their answer to the district attorney's proposition was not ready. Justice Fitzgerald allowed both sides until Saturday to file such affidavits as they desire with the clerk of the court.

There will be no further hearing in the matter of the appointment of a lunacy commission unless Justice Fitzgerald so directs after considering such affidavits and exhibits as are to be offered. The jury having been excused until today at 10:30 o'clock, there will be a brief session at that time and a formal adjournment until Monday announced. By Monday Justice Fitzgerald is expected to announce his decision.

District Attorney Jerome pleaded Thursday for permission to examine Dr. Allan McLane Hamilton orally, but in the absence of a waiver of professional privilege on the part of the defense, Justice Fitzgerald said he would not allow the doctor to be examined further at this time. Justice Fitzgerald added significantly that he would take judicial notice of everything which had been adduced in evidence during the nine weeks of the trial. Dr. Hamilton on Wednesday testified that in his opinion Thaw is not at present capable of directing his defense. This question was put to Dr. Hamilton by Attorney Gleason, of the defense, and Mr. Jerome now contends that the defense thus waived the matter of professional privilege.

A Bad Day for the Standard.

Chicago, March 22.—The Standard Oil Co. in its trial before Judge Landis on a charge of accepting rebates from the Chicago & Alton railway met with defeat Thursday on nearly every point. Rulings of the court balked the efforts of the company's attorneys to bar technical evidence on which the government's case is principally based.

Was Given a 99-Year Sentence.

Barboursville, Ky., March 22.—In the circuit court here Thursday Fred Stewart, who shot and killed James Higgins at Berthas, Ky., last October, was sentenced to the penitentiary for 99 years. The murder resulted from jealousy, both men being suitors for the hand of Miss Jennie Green. Stewart was a candidate for the legislature.

A Broker Fails.

Duluth, Minn., March 22.—Fred H. Merritt, probably the largest dealer in curb stocks in Duluth, closed his doors Thursday and his affairs are now in the hands of trustees. Mr. Merritt was reputed to be worth \$500,000, made in the last two years in copper, but he was heavily hit by the recent slump.

Censured the Management.

New York, March 22.—The coroner's inquest into the deaths caused by the fire in Union Sinclair's Hellion tent at Englewood, N. J., returned a verdict last night, censuring the management for not providing adequate means of escape in case of fire.

Was Stabbed by an ex-Convict.

Columbus, O., March 22.—Mrs. Ida Deihl, aged 24, of Pittsburg, was awakened Thursday by the pain from a cut on the side of the head inflicted by a knife in the hands of Edward Boyce, an ex-convict, who was jealous because his attentions had been refused. The woman was rushed to a hospital and it is said she will recover. Boyce gained entrance to the room where the woman slept by placing a plank at a second-story window.

An Embezzler is Sentenced.

Columbus, O., March 22.—Charles G. Irwin, former clerk of a justice's court in this city, who was indicted by the grand jury on three counts for embezzlement, was arraigned Thursday and pleaded guilty to one of the counts, and was sentenced by Judge Evans to one year in the penitentiary and to pay a fine of \$150. The other counts will probably be nolle.

S. A. D. PUTER

Was Not Like the Word
His Initials Form.

WAS A BUSY ROGUE

He Says He Engaged in Criminal Operations After His Conviction and Prior to Sentence.

Washington, March 22.—Again on Thursday S. A. D. Puter testified for the government in the Hermann trial regarding fraud and bribery in many land deals. Just as his cross-examination was closing, Attorney Worthington for the defense asked:

"Were you ever promised immunity by any representative of the government for your testimony?"

"To a certain extent I have been," was the answer.

Puter was then allowed to explain that after he had been convicted in the case for which he is now serving a two years' sentence in the Multnomah county jail, in Oregon, he had gone to United States Attorney Heney and offered to tell all he knew about land frauds. He had many conferences with Heney, as a result of which the witness testified:

"I have told me that if I became a witness for the government that he would not press these other indictments against me, but would have them dismissed when the time came."

Puter said he received no special favors in jail, but was locked in a cell like any other prisoner. He has, he said, served nearly a year of his term. He was a witness for the government in land fraud cases in Oregon last September and Attorney Worthington read from his testimony at that time that he regretted he did not know more to tell about the Blue Mountain forest reserve deal. He said Mayes had not let him in on that deal, as had been promised.

"Did you try to bribe the grand jury that indicted you?" asked Mr. Worthington.

"I did," was the answer. The witness then explained that he gave a man named Brownell \$50 to influence two of the grand jurors to see that a "true bill" was not returned against him. This effort failed.

"Were you engaged in criminal operations after your conviction and prior to your sentence?" was the next question.

"Yes, to a certain extent. That is, I was dealing in a great deal of state land with a forged fraudulent title." Questions by Mr. Worthington developed that Puter had not been asked about the correspondence he had with Hermann by United States attorneys until last January, although the witness said he must have told Heney about the letters, else the government attorneys would not have followed the matter up by coming to him in jail.

Robbers Assault Express Messenger.

Palestine, Tex., March 22.—An train No. 4 on the International "Great Northern" northbound, was leaving Elkhart, 12 miles below here, last night, Express Messenger Womack, of the Pacific Express Co., was knocked in the head and thrown out of the car. He was not missed from the train until Palestine was reached and a little later a telephone message was received from him at Elkhart stating that he had been assaulted by robbers. The safe in the car was open when the train reached Palestine.

Cincinnati Got Everything.

St. Louis, March 22.—The Cincinnati delegation to the annual convention of the American bowling congress on Thursday secured the next congress and tournament for that city and elected August (Garry) Herrmann president of the congress for 1907-08. After the introduction of the new president the congress adjourned sine die. Alvin Langtry of Milwaukee was elected secretary. February 10 was selected as the date for the next congress.

Was Probably Killed by Negroes.

Hattiesburg, Miss., March 22.—That recent trouble over a negro clerk in the Hattiesburg postoffice was responsible for the shooting Wednesday of the negro banker, E. D. Howell, is a fast growing suspicion here. White residents of Hattiesburg appealed to Howell to persuade the negro clerk not to take office. When the negro did not get the position Howell said his life had been threatened by other members of his race.

Burton Gets Out To-day.

St. Louis, March 22.—Ex-United States Senator Burton, of Kansas, who has been serving six months' imprisonment in jail at Fronton, Mo., will be released to-day. He was convicted of having appeared before the post office department in behalf of the Rio Rico Grain and Securities Co., of St. Louis, while a member of the United States senate and of having received compensation for doing so.

A Disastrous Flood.

Evansville, Ind., March 22.—The Ohio river continues to rise and stands slightly above 43 feet. Thousands of acres of growing wheat between here and Cairo, Ill., are under water. Lumbermen along Green river report heavy losses.

Railroads Tied Up by Floods.

London, March 22.—Owing to floods in many parts of the state there practically is no railroad communication between this city and outside points. Not a train left or arrived Thursday.

A Voice From The Stomach

A Bloodless Fight Between a Tablet and a Habit—The Tablet Wins

At the age of 22, Clarence had good digestion. He had gastric juice that could dissolve doughnuts and turn apple skins into good blood corpuscles.

At the age of 24 he began to be profuse about the waist and lean backwards. He also began to cultivate several chins. In his new found pride he began to think it his duty to gorge himself on everything, the good and the bad, for appetite feeds on appetite and every good thing is abused.

His pictures showed that he took on weight after he put his collar on. At the age of 28 Clarence married and went to boarding. On top of all this, he attended oyster suppers and wine dinners, which reduced the size of his collar from 16 1/2 to 15. With still abiding faith in the strength of his stomach he gulped his meals, and chewed them afterwards.

At the age of 28 Clarence began to hear an inward voice—a warning from the stomach. After each meal, he would feel bloated and belching became a habit.

He began to be light eater—and a heavy thinker. He tried to think out a cure, for now he would sit down at his meals absolutely disgusted at the thought or sight of anything to eat.

He would sit down at his meals without the trace of an appetite, just because it was time to eat.

He would often feel a gnawing, unsatisfied "still-hungry" feeling in his stomach, even after he was through eating, whether his meal was well cooked or not.

And he suffered a good many other things with his stomach that he could not explain, but that made him grouchy, miserable, out-of-sorts and generally sour on everybody and everything.

Finally, he read an account, something like this, about the truly wonderful results obtained from Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, in all cases of stomach trouble, dyspepsia, and so on. He bought a 50c box at the drug store, and took the whole box.

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A Father's Fight for His Child.

Upper Sandusky, O., March 22.—Jay A. Hare will spend all his vast wealth in a battle through the courts for his daughter Mary. Three times he has been defeated, the third time Thursday, when the Wyandot county courts decided against him. Now he says he will carry the fight to the supreme court of the United States. Several years ago Hare and his wife were divorced. He got the custody of two boys; she got the girl, Mrs. Hare died, and in her will left the care of the child to her mother. The grandmother could not care for the child and gave it to her daughter, Mrs. Horace Fears, sister of Mary's mother. Mrs. Fears declares she will fight to the supreme court with Hare.

Mgr. Thorpe's Funeral.

Cleveland, March 22.—Amid the chants of more than 100 priests, solemn pontifical requiem mass was said Thursday over the remains of Monsignor T. P. Thorpe by Rt. Rev. Ignatius Horstmann, bishop of Cleveland, assisted by the high dignitaries of the diocese. The services, attended by all the pomp and ceremony of the Catholic ritual for the dead, were the most imposing that have been held in Cleveland since the death of Bishop Gilmour in 1892. The throng that sought places in immaculate Conception church was so large that the fire wardens closed the doors long before the services began, excluding nearly 4,000 people. Interment was in Calvary cemetery.

Tunnel Project is Knocked Out.

London, March 22.—The project of tunneling the English Channel received its death blow at least for a long time to come by the announcement of the government's decision against the enterprise in parliament Thursday.

Child Attempted Suicide.

Cincinnati, March 22.—Wincing under an unusually severe reproof for trifling faults administered by her mother, Eleanor Hersey, daughter of Emil Hersey, of upper Vine street, sought death under the wheels of a street car here Thursday. The child took her stand in the middle of the car track on a steep grade near her home. She escaped injury only by the activity of the motorman in charge of the car. To the startled group which surrounded her after her escape she exclaimed: "I wanted to die! I don't want to go to school. I wish I had been killed."

Cases Against Hunters are Nolle.

Painesville, O., March 22.—The cases against Frank Rush and William Rogers, Cleveland hunters charged with assault on A. L. Perry, a Mentor farmer, last fall, were nolle by Prosecutor Blakelee Thursday. He declared there was no evidence against the men. Rogers, it was found, was at Wakeman, O., at the time of the assault. Perry was almost killed by the hunters when he ordered them off his farm. The indictment against Robert C. Schultz, on the same charge, is pending.

Hospital Attendants are Indicted.

Cleveland, March 22.—Six attendants of the Newburg state hospital were indicted for assaults on patients by the grand jury Thursday. John Garrett was indicted on ten counts, two of which jointly with John Frazier, Charles Peperman, Walter Enlow, William Gibson and Clement O'Brien are held on one count each. All of the attendants indicted have left the institution except Gibson. Garrett was discharged before the trustees' investigation, and Frazier shortly after. O'Brien, Enlow and Peterman left Newburg since Saturday. At the institution the officials say they know nothing of the whereabouts of the missing men.

Found Dead in a Pond.

Urbana, O., March 22.—Nan McCracken, the 18-year-old daughter of a prominent attorney of this city, was found dead in the Urbana waterworks pond Thursday. It is not known whether she committed suicide or was the victim of an assault. She attended Urbana university.

Burglars Made a Big haul.

Cleveland, March 22.—Burglars stole \$5,000 worth of jewelry from the J. J. Parker residence, on Overlook road, Cleveland Heights, Wednesday night, although Mrs. Parker, three children and three servants were in the house and the coachman was in the stables nearby.

Prominent Sandusky Man Dies.

Sandusky, O., March 22.—His last words a regret that he could not live to vote for Roosevelt in 1908, James E. Marshall, aged 98, died Wednesday night. Marshall was a native of England and of great wealth. He made a fortune in New England textile mills.

Miners Elect Officers.

Zanesville, O., March 22.—The miners of sub-district No. 6 in a session here elected the following officers: President, D. M. Davis, Hysville; vice president, A. G. Nelson, Crooks ville; secretary-treasurer, E. P. Miller, Coshocton.

Brig. Gen. Wint Dies.

Philadelphia, March 22.—Brig. Gen. Theodore J. Wint, U. S. A., commanding the Department of Missouri with headquarters at Omaha, died Thursday at a hotel here. He came to Philadelphia to undergo medical treatment. He was 62 years of age.

A Big Theft of Jewels.

New York, March 22.—Eighteen thousand dollars' worth of jewelry was stolen from the home of Charles Morgan, son of the founder of the Morgan steamship lines, at his home in Orange, N. J., Thursday.

CORPSE TURNS TO STONE.

Petrified Body of Man is Found in Abandoned Basement.

Cincinnati.—In the basement of an old warehouse in the "bottoms," a structure utilized by the Isaac Fuller's Sons company, was found a few days since a box containing the petrified body of an unknown man. It is in a high state of preservation and had lain where it was found for more than 35 years. The discovery was made by Herman Wrightson, who had been employed by the firm to gather up rubbish, piled in a seldom used portion of the basement.

The body is that of a man who in life was a giant in stature and weight. He could not have been less than six feet four inches tall, and was evidently large in proportion. The body is intact, with the exception of one foot that had been broken off at the ankle. Its position and pose was as if it had been laid out for burial. The process of petrification had completed the entire transformation of the body into stone, and it is so heavy that several men were required to lift it when it was brought to light.

How it came to be left in the basement is not positively known.

An old employee of the firm states that Isaac Fuller, the founder of the company, frequently bought unclaimed freight 40 or 50 years ago and may have come into possession of it in that manner. It is thought he may have stowed it away in the cellar of his warehouse without informing his sons.

The Average Girl.

I wonder why everyone is so ready to condemn the poor present day girl? The average girl of the present day has many interests and wastes far less time than the maiden of the "good old times."—Mrs. Nels in M. A. P.

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